

SD STATE FAIR COMMISSION MINUTES



Tuesday, January 19, 2021 ● 1 PM CT Nordby Exhibit Hall, SD State Fairgrounds

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Chairman Dusty Anderson called the meeting to order. The roll call was called, and a quorum was present.

Members present: Dusty Anderson, Amanda Stade, Denise Muntefering, Jamie White, Sherman Gose, Faron Wahl, and via conference call, Gary Sharp, Jo Beal, Tom Harmon, Erin Yost, and Loren Noess.

- **2. Approve Agenda Additions/Changes:** Motion to approve was made by Harmon, seconded by Sharp; motion carried by roll call vote.
- **3. Approval of October 20, 2020 Minutes:** Motion to approve was made by Wahl, seconded by White; motion carried by roll call vote.
- **4. Public Comment Period:** There were no public comments.
- 5. Election of Officers (Chair and Vice Chair): Anderson is stepping down as chair to focus on the livestock transition committee where he is chair. Muntefering nominated Wahl as Chair; it was seconded by Harmon. Yost made a motion for nominations to cease; Harmon seconded; motion carried by roll call vote. Wahl abstained. Muntefering nominated White as Vice Chair; it was seconded by Anderson. Harmon made a motion for nominations to cease; seconded by Yost; motion carried by roll call vote. White abstained.
- **6. the DEX: Dakota Events CompleX: Status report:** Anderson gave a status report on fundraising and the transition committee. The fundraising committee is working hard toward the goal of 4 million. There is a strong focus on the 2021 State Fair and making sure livestock shows are well prepared for.

7. 2021 South Dakota State Fair

- a. Theme: Candi Briley stated the theme will be announced on Monday, January 25.
- **b. Superintendent vacancies:** Briley reported the horse and gardening superintendent positions are vacant.
- c. Open Class Beef Show: Anderson reported the open class beef show will be held Tuesday and Wednesday before the fair in the 4-H Livestock Complex. Open class beef will be released Wednesday evening. No late entries will be accepted in 2021. The Supreme Heifer and Bull Show is tentatively planned for Wednesday evening in the 4-H Livestock Complex. The FFA Round Robin will be held Monday afternoon in the Dairy Barn. There is cooperation among open class beef representatives, FFA, and 4-H in making these plans.



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Open class sheep will remain in the Open Class Sheep Barn for the 2021 State Fair and make the transition to the 4-H Livestock Complex in 2022. Open class dairy goats will remain in the Open Class Dairy Goat Barn through the 2022 State Fair and make the transition in 2023.

8. Maintenance and Repair Projects: Briley reported on projects including the Independent Midway asphalt replacement project, Family Living Center overhead door replacement, grandstand east wing repair renovation, replace bathroom fixtures campus wide, and 4-H Livestock Complex roof repairs.

Peggy Besch reported a Big Ass fan will be installed in the 4-H Livestock Complex; funded through SD Beef Breeds.

- **9. Non-Fair Events:** Briley reported there have been showers, weddings, and birthday parties held in the Nordby Exhibit Hall. Horse stalling and open riding is in the Hippodrome. Plans are currently being made for Wheel Jam and the Original SD BBQ Championships.
- 10. Commissioner or Manager Reports or Updates
- 11. Executive Session (if applicable): Move for executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3) to discuss contractual matter.: Motion to move into Executive Session to discuss contractual matters, was made by Anderson, seconded by Gose, motion carried by roll call vote.
- 12. Next Meeting: Next meeting will be held Tuesday, February 16 at 1 PM.
- **13. Adjournment**: Motion by Harmon, seconded by Yost, that the meeting be adjourned. Wahl declared the meeting adjourned.

Anyone wishing to participate via telephone conference call should contact the South Dakota State Fair at 605.353.7340 no later than 3 PM Central Time on Friday, January 15, 2021.

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